

Andrew Jackson to Andrew Jackson, Jr., March 12, 1838, from Correspondence of Andrew Jackson. Edited by John Spencer Bassett.

TO ANDREW JACKSON, JR.

Hermitage, March 12, 1838.

D'r Andrew, Since you left me, I have deliberated on the subject, and have to remark for your consideration (to wit) conclude the contract with Dr. Wells. Then say to Mr. Kerr, here is six thousand dollars in cash, and the notes recd. from Dr. Wells well endorsed, which I am willing to give you for the land, or, I will give you my note at twelve months, without interest, paying you interest on the whole ballance from and after the first year at six pr. cent until paid, making it payable at the end of the year 1840, with a pledge that the whole sum shall be paid at the end of one year from this date if payment can be obtained upon the notes recd. from Mr. Wells, or a discount obtained on them in bank without making too great a sacrafice. If Mr. Kerr will not make such arangement as to enable us to make the payment out of the sale of the tract sold Dr. Wells then tell him we cannot trade, and I will vouch that as good a tract can be obtained by the \$6000 in cash and the ballance on 6 prcent interest. When Mr. Kerr finds he cannot do better he will come to your terms. The object with us is, and ought to be, to make the one tract sold, pay, without risk the Land bought. I send moses with this note and write in haste. If you buy from Kerr, and give a note let it be expressed to be payable in current Bank notes from Tennessee or Mississippi

yours affectionately